

COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP
Children, Families & Futures

BEAR VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLABORATIVE

MINUTES

January 23, 2006
Parks and Recreation Community Room
41220 Park Avenue
Big Bear Lake, CA

In Attendance:

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1. Welcome and Introductions

Everyone was welcomed and self-introductions were made.

2. Additions/Deletions to Agenda

- Susan Melanson was unable to attend.

3. Review November minutes.

4. Presentation: Mary Jaquish, First 5 San Bernardino: Extreme Family Day Care Makeover results.

- San Bernardino County has been honored four times for their "Make a Difference Day" efforts.
- San Bernardino County is always stressing strong community involvement, even in times of non-tragedy.
- First 5 sent out Extreme Makeover applications throughout the county, with help from The Sun, The Press-Enterprise, and Kids N' Care.
- This was the first time applications were in both English and Spanish, with 24 applications filled out completely in Spanish.
- UCR Connections assisted applicants needing help in filling out their applications.
- The biggest concentration of day care improvement was in the Central Valley.

- Day Cares in the following cities were chosen for the Extreme Makeover: Alta Loma, Upland, Needles, Colton, Yucca Valley, Yucaipa, Apple Valley, Phelan, Crestline, and San Bernardino.
- Because of the great amount of need, First 5 is helping out every applicant by supplying them with at least one thing from their “wish list”. The amount of help is based on their initial application score.
- Applications were read and scored by a diverse team of readers within a three-week period.
- First 5 really pressed for community involvement with all of the day care makeovers.
- The amount of community help was tremendous – there were over 900 volunteers, which included students, neighbors, local businesses, families, and other members of the community.
- The volunteers helped with everything – serving food, putting toys together, laying cement, assembling playground equipment, painting rooms, landscaping, and various other jobs.
- First 5 definitely wants to sponsor another “Make a Difference Day” event for 2006.

5. Children’s Network Report – Sue Taylor

- Children’s Network 2005 annual report will be available at the February Meeting.
- Save the Date! The “Shine a Light on Child Abuse” award breakfast will be held on March 23, 2006. Sue urged everyone to make a nomination.

6. First 5 San Bernardino Report – Mary Jaquish

- 2005 has been a wonderful year for First 5 San Bernardino.
- First 5 San Bernardino will have openings for the positions of Office Assistant, Evaluation Analyst, Community Engagement Manager, and Community Engagement Specialist. Check web page for more information.
- First 5 will be distributing a letter with new guidelines for securing a sponsorship from First 5.
- First 5 will hold some Community Forums with Richard Jarvis in March.

7. Next Meeting Date: February 27, 2006, 3:15 – 4:00 pm
****Meeting moved due to Holiday****
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Respectfully Submitted,
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